

THREE KILLED IN AUTO CRASH

MAJOR DASHES INTO TRAIN AT MERRICK ROAD.

Eight Persons Hadly Injured, of Whom Two May Be Late Killed, as Train Struck From View, Was Approaching. Cars Halted From Track.

A major and two little girls were killed and eight other persons were seriously injured yesterday afternoon when an automobile with five occupants jumped from a highway onto the westbound track of the Monticello division of the Long Island Railroad directly in the path of a construction train at the Merrick road crossing over the railroad tracks between the village of Springfield and Jamaica. Those killed were in the automobile party. The injured included the two other people who were in the car and members of a construction gang on the train, who were thrown about when the automobile derailed the two cars of the train at the impact of the collision. The dead are:

Benjamin J. Haffner, 50 years old, who was somewhere in East Forty-seventh street, Manhattan, killed instantly.

Miss Rebecca, 9 years old, daughter of Mrs. Fanny Glass, of 30 West 104th street, Manhattan.

Miss Rebecca, 11 years old, of 17 East 104th street, Manhattan, a niece of Mrs. Fanny Glass, and Miss Bella Hirsch, who was in the car.

Those who were hurt are:

Henry Frank, laborer, living at the Merrick road, construction camp, was injured.

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